

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re DIVISIONAL Application of)
Hisashi OHTANI et al.)

Based On Serial No. 08/861,001) Art Unit: 2824
Which Was Filed: May 21, 1997) Examiner: M. Lebentritt
For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING)
A SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE) Date: June 14, 2000

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Please preliminarily amend the subject application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Before the first sentence of the specification, insert --This application is a Divisional of Application Serial No. 08/861,001 filed May 21, 1997; which itself is a Continuation of Application Serial No. 08/347,247 filed November 23, 1994, abandoned.--